

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

ADAM HELFAND, CARON HELFAND,  
AND MITCHELL HELFAND,

v.

THE JOHN DEWEY ACADEMY, INC.,  
THOMAS BRATTER, CAROLE  
BRATTER, KEN STEINER, AND  
GWENDOLYN HAMPTON,

C.A. No. 04-11800-DPW

**CERTIFICATE IN COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 16.4**

The undersigned certify that the defendants, John Dewey Academy, Inc., Thomas Bratter, Carole Bratter and Ken Steiner have conferred with their attorneys with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course of the above-referenced matter, including various alternative courses of the litigation and to consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute programs.

Respectfully submitted,

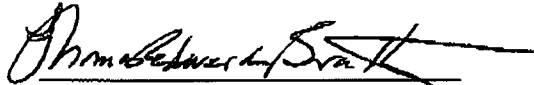
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Thomas Bratter  
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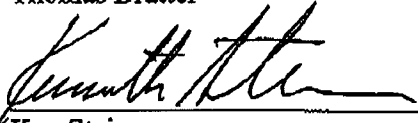
The John Dewey Academy



By its President, Thomas Bratter



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